

House Resolution No. 526

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself as a leader of his community; and

Whereas, Joe Lonero of Ferguson, Missouri, will be honored as the proud recipient of the prestigious 2002 North County Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year award during a special presentation to be held February 27, 2003; and

Whereas, a longtime resident of the City of Ferguson and North County, Joe Lonero has voiced his concerns regarding the overall appearance of the City and worked closely with the Mayor of the City of Ferguson and members of the City Council to help achieve improvements; and

Whereas, the proud owner of four businesses in two North County cities, Joe Lonero has joined City officials in an effort to bring businesses to the area by traveling to St. Louis and St. Charles, where he has searched for ideas that would work in North County; and

Whereas, Joe Lonero's unwavering commitment to excellence in the Ferguson community has not gone unnoticed by the mayors and other elected officials of surrounding cities, many of whom have shared his vision for success and utilized his resources; and

Whereas, Joe Lonero has compiled an enviable list of service to the City of Ferguson through his active affiliation with such important organizations as the FSBA, Ferguson Lions Club, the McCluer Key Club, the Ferguson Kiwanis, the Rotary Club, Sts. John and James Church and the North County Chamber of Commerce; and

Whereas, Joe Lonero has been abundantly blessed with the love and admiration of a wonderful family whose members include his devoted wife, Susan; his two sons; and his grandson, all of whom are residents of the City of Ferguson:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Joe Lonero upon his most worthy receipt of the coveted Citizen of the Year award, and in wishing him only the very best as he embarks upon new avenues of challenge in his life; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Joe Lonero, as a mark of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Matt Muckler
District No. 70

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 526, adopted February 27, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker